
Overview of Changes from 2012-2013 to 2013-2014



This section provides an overview of the changes made from 2012-2013 to 2013-2014 for Common Origination and Disbursement (COD). The changes made for the 2013-2014 Award year will be implemented in the COD System beginning March 2013.

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Common Origination and Disbursement (COD) Changes

Changes from 2012-2013 to 2013-2014

The change descriptions are organized by the following three categories: Additions, Modifications, and Removals. The first column provides a description of each change. The remaining columns indicate which programs the change will affect.

Additions to Common Origination and Disbursement

Description	Pell Grant Program	ACG Program	National SMART Grant Program	Direct Loan Program	TEACH Grant Program
Edits	✓			✓	✓
Exit Counseling				✓	
SAS Disbursement Detail on Demand				✓	✓
Student Eligibility Data	✓			✓	✓

Modifications to Common Origination and Disbursement

Description	Pell Grant Program	ACG Program	National SMART Grant Program	Direct Loan Program	TEACH Grant Program
Ability to Benefit Codes	✓			✓	✓
2013-2014 Pell LEU Report	✓				
Entrance Counseling				✓	
Paper MPN Printing				✓	

Removals from Common Origination and Disbursement

Description	Pell Grant Program	ACG Program	National SMART Grant Program	Direct Loan Program	TEACH Grant Program
ATB codes of '03' and '05'	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Additions to COD for 2013-2014

Exit Counseling

In March 2013, exit counseling will be available on StudentLoans.gov and the exit counseling currently available on NSLDS will be discontinued. The new exit counseling will meet regulatory requirements and will be viewable outside login. Schools will have the option to receive “Daily” or “On-demand” responses when a borrower completes exit counseling on StudentLoans.gov. The existing exit counseling reports on NSLDS will continue to be available with data received from StudentLoans.gov. The current COD Counseling Report will include exit counseling completion information. Note: The Counseling Type tag will be populated with 'ExitCounseling' (without spaces) in the response.

SAS Disbursement Detail On Demand

In March 2013, schools will be able to request the Disbursement Detail section of the current TEACH and Direct Loan School Account Statement via the COD Website, and receive the file independent of the monthly SAS delivery cycle. The current Grant Data Request and Rebuild Request pages will be combined into one Report Requests link, and will be modified to include requests for new SAS Disbursement Detail on Demand Reports for Direct Loans and TEACH. The new data request feature will allow schools to request and receive SAS Disbursement Detail on Demand, independent of the existing monthly SAS file. The new on demand reports will only include the disbursement detail section similar to the current School Account Statement report. They will not include the Cash Summary or Cash Detail sections. Once a request has been processed, the report will be delivered to a school's SAIG Mailbox. When making a request for a SAS Disbursement Detail on Demand file, schools will be able to choose from several content and format options for the on demand file, and these options are set independently of the school's existing monthly SAS options in the Report Selection, SAS Options screen.

Student Eligibility Data

In March 2013, the COD System will begin storing new valid values for the “Ability to Benefit” data element for Award Year 2013-2014 and forward. The new values will identify students that have completed a high school diploma or GED. The new valid values will be:

- 06 (High School Diploma)
- 07 (GED)

A new warning edit (Edit 199) will be returned on origination records when the <AbilityToBenefitCode> submitted does not match the ‘HS Diploma or Equivalent’ field received from CPS based on the <CPSTransactionNumber> submitted on the Common Record.

Modifications to COD for 2013-2014

Pell LEU Report

Beginning in March 2013, the COD System will modify the existing Pell LEU Report. Currently the 2012-2013 Pell LEU Report is only available on the COD Reporting Website, and will continue to be available from this source through June 30, 2013. The 2013-2014 Pell LEU Report (and forward) will be modified to be sent to a school’s TG mailbox on a weekly basis, and will not appear on the Pell Newsbox on the COD Reporting Website.

Ability to Benefit Codes

Beginning in March 2013, the COD System will retire the <AbilityToBenefitCode> values of ‘03’ (State Process) and ‘05’ (Other) for all Award Years for Pell, Direct Loan, and TEACH Programs. If a record is submitted with the <AbilityToBenefitCode> values of ‘03’ (State Process) or ‘05’ (Other), the COD System will reject the award with existing Edit 198

Entrance Counseling

In March 2013, the existing entrance counseling available on StudentLoans.gov will be updated to incorporate many of the tools available in Financial Awareness Counseling. The updated entrance counseling will meet regulatory requirements and will be viewable outside login. Schools will have the option to receive “Daily” or “On-demand” responses when a borrower completes entrance counseling on StudentLoans.gov. Schools will continue to choose whether their students can complete entrance counseling on StudentLoans.gov using the school participation option available on the COD Web.

Cessation of Paper MPN Printing

Beginning in November 2012, the COD System stopped printing and mailing all paper MPN correspondence packages. Additionally, the COD System began ignoring the <PromissoryNotePrintCode> tag sent in to the COD System via the common record. A blank MPN form is available for download on StudentLoans.gov and the COD Websites.

The forms are available for order via FSA Pubs (www.fsapubs.gov). Borrowers may still complete and mail a paper MPN.

Removals from COD 2013-2014

N/A

Edit 111

Beginning in October 2012, the COD System will no longer return edit 111 on Direct Loan award originations and maintenance submitted via batch processing, COD Web and the Direct Loan Origination Tool for all Award Years.

Ability to Benefit Codes of '03' and '05'

Beginning in March 2013, the COD System will no longer accept values of '03' or '05' in the <AbilitytoBenefitCode> field. Awards previously originated with these values must be corrected before further processing can occur.